

## House Resolution 2260

By: Representatives Harbin of the 118<sup>th</sup>, Burkhalter of the 50<sup>th</sup>, Talton of the 145<sup>th</sup>, and Cheokas of the 134<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Representative Bob Smith; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Bob Smith was born and raised in Oconee County, Georgia; and

3 WHEREAS, he became actively involved in campaigns and politics at the age of six; and

4 WHEREAS, he is a 1976 graduate of the University of Georgia; and

5 WHEREAS, Representative Bob Smith and his wife Laura are the proud parents of three  
6 children, one of whom attended Georgia Tech and two of whom are attending the University  
7 of Georgia; and

8 WHEREAS, he has served 12 years of committed service to the State of Georgia in the  
9 Georgia General Assembly as a member of the House of Representatives, where he currently  
10 serves as a member of the Rules Committee, Energy, Utilities and Telecommunications  
11 Committee, Appropriations Committee, and Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment  
12 Committee; and

13 WHEREAS, many people inside and outside of elected politics have been inspired by  
14 Representative Smith's deep passion for grassroots politics and for improving Georgia, as  
15 demonstrated by his membership in the Oconee Rotary Club and the Athens Area  
16 Association of Realtors and by his service as one of the founding members of the Oconee  
17 County Relay for Life Organization; and

18 WHEREAS, no individual Representative has ever championed the importance of  
19 nano-technology so passionately; and

20 WHEREAS, no other Representative has ever been so confident as to address the House  
21 floor without wearing shoes; and

22 WHEREAS, he has single-handedly rejuvenated Georgia's efforts to put a man on the moon;  
23 and

24 WHEREAS, he was never afraid of showing his undying devotion to the Board of Regents;  
25 and

26 WHEREAS, "The tree doesn't fall far from the apple"; and

27 WHEREAS, he has worked tirelessly to improve the relationship between Georgia and Italy;  
28 and

29 WHEREAS, he is still searching for his camera; and

30 WHEREAS, we assume his reading glasses will be found with said camera; and

31 WHEREAS, he is a man whose service and friendship will be greatly missed by those in the  
32 General Assembly and all who have been blessed to know him; and

33 WHEREAS, we celebrate Representative Smith's birthday today and everyday.

34 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
35 the members of this body recognize and commend Representative Bob Smith for his tireless  
36 service as a member of this body on behalf of the people of his district and the State of  
37 Georgia and extend to him their best wishes for the future.

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
39 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Representative Bob Smith.